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# CITY OF HOUSTON

# **Job Posting**

**ALL PERSONS INTERESTED** 1 Applications accepted from:

Job Classification **Posting Number Department** Division Section

**Epidemiologist Supervisor** PN# 112056 **Health & Human Services OSPH Preparedness Morbidity Section** 8000 N Stadium Drive 4th floor

**Reporting Location** Workdays & Hours M - F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.\*

\*Subject to change

<u>DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES/ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS</u>
Supervises and monitors the work of Staff Epidemiologist, GIS Analysts, and Surveillance Investigators – Epidemiologist in disease control and intervention programs. Implements work priorities and evaluate outcomes in line with program goals. Reports to the Epidemiologist Manager regarding overall work progress and needs of field programs.

- Supervises monitors and reviews investigative procedures, strategies and data analyses of staff subordinates in disease intervention activities, special projects and programs. Audits and ensures compliance with established protocols and quality assurance.
- Develops strategies for implementing active surveillance of disease clusters in the City of Houston and analyzes morbidity data for trends.
- Develops procedures and algorithms for the early detection of various disease incidents from expected norms.
- Coordinates the epidemiology teams and responses to potential and/or actual emergency public health events and is available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.
- Provides rapid communications with key personnel and organizations in preparation for potential large-scale public health threats.
  Participates in the recruitment and hiring of subordinates. Provides training and professional development and
- evaluates the performance of subordinates.
- Participates in grant/research writing and/or other projects to procure supplemental funding for state-of-the-art surveillance instruments and technologies.
- Prepares reports, presentations, and articles for scientific and non-scientific journals on disease investigations and preparedness for nuclear, biologic and chemical threats.
- Performs other duties as requested by the Epidemiologist Manager or the Bureau Chief of Epidemiology.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

10 The position is physically comfortable, the individual has discretion about walking, standing, etc.

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<u>MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS</u>
Requires a Master's degree in Epidemiology or Public Health with emphasis in Epidemiology or related biological, medical or public health fields.

### 12 MINIMUM EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Six (6) years of professional experience in epidemiology or public health after completion of the required Master's degree are required, with two of the years in a supervisory or lead role. Advanced degrees, such as PhD in Public Health with emphasis in Epidemiology or related fields, Dr. of P.H., DVM, MD or equivalent, will substitute for two years of the experience requirement.

### 13 MINIMUM LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

None

### **PREFERENCES**

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# <u>SELECTION/SKILLS TESTS REQUIRED</u> A skills test will be required.

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16 assigned drug test.

### 17 **GRANT FUNDED POSITIONS SALARY INFORMATION**

This position is dependent upon continued available funds. If funding is no longer available, employee may be laid off or transferred. Factors used in determining the salary offered include the candidate's qualifications as well as the pay rates of other employees in this classification. The salary range is:

<u>Salary Range - Pay Grade 24</u> \$1,419 - \$2,677 Biweekly \$36,894 - \$69,602 Annually

18 **OPENING DATE** July 14, 2006

19 **CLOSING DATE** Open Until Filled

# APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Original applications only and resumes are accepted and must be received by the Human Resources Department during posting opening and closing dates shown, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at 611 Walker St., 1<sup>st</sup> floor. **Our TDD (Telephone** Device for the Deaf) phone number is (713) 837-9471. For application status inquiries, please call (713) 794-9142. All new and rehires must pass a pre-employment drug test and are subject to a physical examination and verification of

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